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(date of mailing document)LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL

Dear Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the U.S. Patent and
Trademark Office in connection with the above-identified new Patent Application:

1. Amendment (10 pages).
2. Claims in Clean Form (8 pages)

THE COMMISSIONER IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED AND IS REQUESTED
TO CHARGE ALL FILING FEES DUE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.16 AND ALL
OTHER FEES DUE UNDER §1.17 DURING THE PENDENCY OF THIS
APPLICATION TO OUR DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 07-1729.

Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION
PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.116(b)

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on March 28, 2003, please
amend the above-identified patent application, as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 29-37, 39-80, and 84-104 as follows:

REWRITTEN CLAIMSIN MARKED UP FORM PURSUANT TO RULE 121(c)(1)(ii):

[29]18. The combination of claim 9, wherein the propellant is selected from the
group of propellants consisting of azodicarbonamide, ammonium
hydrogen carbonate, toluolsulfohydrazin or diazoaminobenzol.

[30]19. The combination of claim [29]18, wherein the propellant is
azodicarbonamide.

[31]20. The combination of claim 1, wherein the functional layer (5) is a
membrane or a film.

[32]21. The combination of claim [31]20, wherein the functional layer (5) is
selected from the group of materials consisting of polyesters, polyamide,
polyolefins, polyvinylchloride, polyketones, polysulfones, polycarbonates,